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Informed Source' Isn't Convincing

YOUR EDITORIAL regarding the somewhat untenable position of Secretary McNamara on security leaks was, in my opinion, timely, constructive and in the national interest. I had similar thoughts when I read there was a possibility some of our representatives in Congress might have access to top-secret information disclosed during their examination of the activities of the CIA.

It is, of course, unfortunate that publication of statements

from "informed sources," "usually reliable sources" and the like should create the feeling of uncertainty on the part of many of our citizens. Likewise, I wonder why it was necessary to conduct political meetings about four years in advance of a presidential election and propose a campaign designed to "develop issues and expand them" at a time when this country needs all the unity it can establish.

What has happened to the spirit of constructive cooperation that has made this the great and wonderful country it is? Why do influential people criticize a proposal that voluntary censorship be made a part of our way of life and, in the same speech, take exception to statements by anonymous sources?

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